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# **NON-ENGLISH LANGUAGE REFERENCES**

Enclosed is a search report for a counterpart application. The search report Examiner has provided comments on the relevancy of any non-English language references cited in the search report.
The specification incorporates comments on the relevancy of Non-English language references.
Set forth below are comments provided by the applicant's home country counsel on the relevancy of non-English language references:

Respectfully submitted,

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